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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF GEOGRAPHERS/  
INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY PROPOSED SEMINAR

REF: STATE 44658

1. AAG AND INSTITUTE HAD AGREED TO HOLD SEMINAR IN BUCHAREST IN SEPTEMBER. INSTITUTE INFORMED PROFESSOR POULSEN WHEN HE WAS THERE LAST MONTH, THEY WOULD FORWARD LIST OF TOPICS FOR SEMINAR ASAP TO AAG. SO FAR, AAG HAS NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED LIST, THUS IS UNABLE TO PRESENT REQUEST TO NSF FOR NECESSARY FUNDING FOR U.S. PARTICIPATION. IF AAG DOES NOT RPT NOT RECEIVE LIST WITHIN NEXT WEEK TO TEN DAYS, WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE PROCESS REQUEST THROUGH NSF IN TIME FOR PROPOSED SEMINAR.

2. AAG ALSO NEEDS OFFICIAL LETTER FROM APPROPRIATE ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES INVITING US PARTICIPATION IN SEMINAR.

3. GEORGE HOFFMAN OF AAG THEREFORE REQUESTS EMBASSY CONTACT DR. DRAGOMIRESCU, FOREIGN SECRETARY, INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY, OR DR. GRUMAZESCU, DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE, AND

EXPLAIN THAT AAG NEEDS PROMPT, DEFINITE REPLY TO ABOVE TWO POINTS IF SEMINAR IS TO TAKE PLACE. AAG WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE DATE FOR SEMINAR  
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IN EVENT (HIGHLY LIKELY) SEMINAR MUST BE POSTPONED.  
WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY FORWARDING INSTITUTE'S RESPONSE  
BY CABLE TO DEPARTMENT.

4. DEPARTMENT REGRETS NECESSITY LEVYING THIS REQUEST  
ON EMBASSY IN VIEW OF MANY OTHER DEMANDS ON EMBASSY  
PERSONNEL AT THIS TIME; HOWEVER, MATTER IS OF SOME  
URGENCY. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE AS ABLE.

5. PROFESSOR DEAN RUGG, ONE OF MEMBERS OF AAG BOARD,  
WILL BE IN BUCHAREST LATE APRIL, EARLY MAY, AND WILL CALL

AT EMBASSY. HOFFMAN WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S INFORMING  
HIM OF STATUS OF SEMINAR PROPOSAL. RUSH

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